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SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO

In re the marriage of)
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Petitioner: GRACE LUCY STOEN)
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and)
)
Respondent: TIMOTHY O. STOEN)
)

No. 719-147

ORDER RE CHILD CUSTODY

The matter of the order to show cause re the custody of the minor child JOHN VICTOR STOEN, born January 25, 1972 came on regularly for hearing on November 18, 1977 in Department 13 of the above entitled court. Petitioner GRACE LUCY STOEN was present personally and through her attorneys of record, Jeffrey Haas and Margaret Ryan. Respondent TIMOTHY O. STOEN appeared in pro per. There was no appearance by Claimant JIM JONES.

GOOD CAUSE APPEARING, the court made the following finding and orders:

1. Based upon the declarations on file it is found that

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Claimant Reverend Jim Jones had actual notice of the pendency of the proceedings, of his joinder, of this court's order directing him to appear and of the instant hearing.

2. It is also found that contrary to the order of this court that Reverend Jim Jones failed to appear before this court on November 18, 1977 at 9:00 AM.

3. Based on testimony offered at the hearing of November 18, 1977 and a written stipulation filed therein, the court finds and orders that it is in the best interest of the minor child, JOHN VICTOR STOEN that his physical custody, care and control be awarded to Petitioner GRACE LUCY STOEN, his natural mother. Reasonable visitation will be reserved to Respondent TIMOTHY O. STOEN. Petitioner and Respondent will share joint legal custody. This court hereby fully incorporates by reference the stipulation between the parties signed on November 18, 1977 and the order arising therefrom.

4. It is ordered that Reverend Jim Jones will immediately deliver the minor, JOHN VICTOR STOEN, to the Petitioner, GRACE LUCY STOEN, or to her authorized representative.

5. It is ordered that pursuant to Section 4604 of the California Civil Code, the District Attorney of the City and County of San Francisco shall take all actions necessary to locate Reverend Jim Jones and to secure Reverend Jim Jones' compliance with this order.

6. It is further ordered that Petitioner is granted leave to institute contempt proceedings against the Reverend Jim Jones.

7. Based on testimony offered at the hearing on November 18, 1977 by both Petitioner and Respondent and notarized documents

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provided to and filed with the court, the court finds and orders that all previous statements signed by either Petitioner or Respondent or both authorizing one JOYCE TOUCHETTE, JIM JONES, or any other person to act as guardian of said minor child is hereby declared null and void.

ORDERED this 18th day of November, 1977 and signed the 18th day of November, 1977.

JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT

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TIMOTHY OLIVER STOEN --- PROFESSIONAL RESUME

1. Stanford Law School: Doctor of Jurisprudence Degree, 1964.
2. Wheaton College (Illinois): Bachelor of Arts Degree, 1960.
3. Rotary Foundation Graduate Fellowship: England, 1961-62.
4. Admissions: California Supreme Court, 1965; United States Supreme Court, 1974.
5. Mendocino County (California) Practice:
   a. Deputy District Attorney (Prosecutor), 1965-67
   b. Directing Attorney, Legal Services Foundation, 1967-68.
   c. Assistant District Attorney (Acting County Counsel), 1970-76:
      (1) Evaluation: "He has one of the finest legal minds I have ever encountered, and is an outstanding trial advocate. Tim is undoubtedly what might better be termed, a lawyer's lawyer." [District Attorney Duncan M James.]
      (2) Evaluation: "his dedicated and herculean labors as a public attorney and County counsel." [Board of Supervisors Resolution.]
6. San Francisco Practice:
   a. Criminal Defense and General Private Practice, 1968-69.
   b. Assistant District Attorney for City and County of San Francisco, 1976-77:
      (1) May 1976, hired to handle Voter Fraud Scandal: Filed 39 felony indictments, resulting in 37 convictions.
      (2) November 1976, appointed by District Attorney Joseph Freitas, Jr. to head new "Special Prosecution" felony team.
      (3) Gave Training Instruction to prosecuting attorneys, emphasizing fairness to defendants in grand jury procedure.
      (4) February 1977, resigned to do nonprofit legal work, eventual private practice.
      (5) Evaluation: "Your work before the Grand Jury and with the Press has been nothing short of sensational. Watching you last week was a pleasure. I have had numerous comments from lawyers, grand jurors, and press extolling your fairness, professionalism, and human qualities. You are a real credit to this office." [Chief Assistant District Attorney Daniel H. Weinstein.]
7. Service to State Bar of California:
   a. April 1976, appointed by Governor Edmund Brown, Jr. to State Advisory Council for Federal Legal Services Corporation, pursuant to unanimous recommendation of Board of Governors of California State Bar as possessing "such superior qualifications and motivation" as to be in top 3 of 90 lawyers originally considered. Reappointed by Governor in April 1977.
   b. 1972-73, served on State Bar Ad Hoc Committee re Local Governments.
8. Community Service:
   a. President, Heart Association of Mendocino County, 1973-75.
   b. Director, North Coast Coordinating Council on Developmental Disabilities, 1975-76.
   c. Ukiah Rotary Club, 1973-76.
9. Professional Memberships: American Bar Association, California District Attorneys Association, San Francisco Bar Association, Lawyers Club of San Francisco, National Legal Aid and Defender Association; ACLU, NAACP.

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TIMOTHY OLIVER STOEN --- CHARACTER REFERENCES

1. Superior Court Judge Arthur B. Broaddus: "He is an extremely capable trial attorney.... His work is careful, thorough and prompt. Add to this his fine judgment and common sense approach and you start to get an approximation of the fine attorney he is." [4/8/75]

2. Attorney Leo M. Cook: "His intellectual level is very high, and he has an extraordinary ability to analyze complicated issues. *** He is certainly incoruptable." [4/14/76]

3. Chairman of Mendocino County Board of Supervisors Ernest F. Banker: "He has great integrity and a dedication to any job that he undertakes in a degree that I have found unsurpassed. I have never really known of any advice that Tim has given our Board that has caused us any embarrassment or financial loss, and our reliance on him is unequivocal." [4/15/76]

4. State Assemblyman Barry Keene: "By virtue of his fair and public spirited approach to the practice of law, Mr. Stoen has garnered the admiration of the Bench and the Bar of the state as well as his community at large." [10/15/75]

5. Former Stanford Assistant Professor of Law Jared G. Carter: "I have the highest possible regard for Tim Stoen's ability, integrity and fairness. I first knew him as a student of mine at Stanford Law School for the period between 1963 and 1965. *** Tim enjoys not only my high opinion, but also the high regard of the entire county administration and the Bar in this area." [4/15/76]

6. Attorney and Mendocino County Supervisor Burgess Williams: "I am now completing four years on the County Board of Supervisors, and Mr. Stoen has always been our legal counsel. During that time, the Board has conducted many public hearings involving complex legal matters, and I have always gone into those hearings confident that our attorney was better prepared and more knowledgeable on the issues than any other advocate in the chambers. Mr. Stoen is an ethical, principled person whose character is beyond reproach. I don't believe there is a better public attorney in the State of California." [4/15/76]

7. Mendocino County Bar Association President Richard J. Petersen: "He's knowledgeable, believes in what he's doing, is truthful to himself and therefore can be truthful to a jury; he' an honor to his profession. *** I would be hard-pressed to list one attorney--and I'm saying these words literally--not one attorney in the Mendocino County Bar who does not believe Tim Stoen an honest man, a principled man, an effective lawyer, and perhaps more importantly, a well-balanced man." [4/15/76]

8. Superior Court Judge John J. Golden: "Tim is an excellent lawyer." [4/14/76]

9. Attorney Merle P. Orchard: "He...has distinguished himself in the practice of law to a high degree. He also commands the utmost personal respect in this community [Ukiah]. He is both a fine scholar as well as an aggressive and exceptionally fine practitioner of the law. Of all the young men whom I have seen practice in the last 26 years in this community, I would place Tim, in all respects, at the very top." [4/21/76]

10. Mendocino County Public Defender Joseph D. Allen: "Mr. Stoen compiled a brilliant record as a criminal prosecutor. *** I have found him to be deeply committed to civil rights matters as well as social justice, the vigorous prosecution of law breakers and vigorous protection of the county tax payers in handling the county's civil legal business. Mr. Stoen...in his professional capacity has a reputation in our county for fairness, intelligence, absolute integrity and total honesty. He is not active in partisan politics but he is in my opinion a very shrewd and deft negotiator. *** He enjoys absolutely the highest reputation by all who have known him in Mendocino County." [4/14/76]